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IN A LENGTHY ANALYSIS BY INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WRITERS ALLRICH NICOLAS AND MICHEL DORES-K, OUTSPOKEN INTELLECTUAL WEEKLY "LE PETIT SAMEDI SOIR" SAID AUGUST 20 THAT "ANDREW YOUNG'S STATEMENTS SUCCEED ON THEIR OWN, WHILE DEAR HENRY'S STEP-BY-STEP MEASURES WERE INCAPABLE OF REALIZATION."

THE PAPER QUOTED FROM YOUNG'S APRIL 19 U.N. SPEECH ON RACISM, TORTURE AND HUNGER: "WHILE POVERTY CONTINUES TO SPREAD AND FAMINE BECOMES A VERY REAL POSSIBILITY, SMALL GROUPS IN ALMOST ALL COUNTRIES LIVE IN LUXURY AND WASTE. WE DARE TO SAY THESE THINGS HERE BECAUSE THE SILENT MAJORITY OF THE POOR IS NOT ALSO BLIND AND DEAF: ALTHOUGH THEY MAY NOT PROTEST OUT OF FEAR OR DESPERATION AGAINST FLAGRANT INEQUALITIES IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, THEY SEE, THEY HEAR AND THEY UNDERSTAND."

"ANDY YOUNG," EMPHASIZED LE PETIT SAMEDI SOIR, "IS THE MAN WHO IS FIRMLY OPPOSED TO THE REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA, WHO
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WOULD GIVE THE SILENT MAJORITIES THE RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH, THE RIGHT TO FOOD, THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION, THE RIGHT TO VOTE... CONVINCED THAT ALL THESE CONSTITUTE THE BASIS OF ANY HARMONIOUS SOCIETY."

"AMERICAN DIPLOMACY," IT CONTINUED, "INTENDS TO BREAK WITH THE STASIS (STAGNATION) AND FAVOR A CERTAIN PROMOTION OF

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MANKIND IN THE GUARANTEE OF THE MAINTENANCE OF THE IDEAL OF LIBERTY IN THE SENSE INTENDED BY LIBERAL CONSTITUTIONS."

CONCLUDING, LE PETIT SAMEDI SOIR SAID THAT "THE DEFINITIVE RESULT WILL BE A CERTIFIED VERDICT WHICH WILL OPEN THE WAY TO NEW OPTIONS IN THE SEARCH FOR A STABLE AND DURABLE PEACE IN THE WORLD... IN THE MEANTIME, THE UNITED STATES HAS FULL CONFIDENCE IN THE CITIZEN OF THE WORLD. HIS MERIT IS PERHAPS IN HIS PERSONAL CONVICTION THAT THE PROBLEMS OF NATIONS ARE HUMAN FACTS AND THAT AS SUCH MEN RESPOND WITH SOLUTIONS. ANDREW YOUNG IS, IN SHORT, THE MAN WHO FULLY ASSUMES HIS RESPONSABILITIES FOR THE GLORY OF AMERICA."

A SEPARATE, OBJECTIVE ACCOUNT OF THE YOUNG VISIT SUMMARIZED THE PRESS CONFERENCE AND THE RESULTS OF THE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT DUVALIER, PARTICULARLY THE INVITATION (AS REPORTED BY THE VOA) TO THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION TO VISIT HAITI. THE PAPER ALSO REPRODUCED THE USIS-PROVIDED TRANSCRIPT OF YOUNG OPENING STATEMENT AT HIS PRESS CONFERENCE. GOMEZ

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